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IMMUNOGENIC COMPOSITIONS OF LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT HYALURONIC ACID AND METHODS TO PREVENT, TREAT AND

DIAGNOSE INFECTIONS AND DISEASES CAUSED BY GROUP A AND

GROUP C STREPTOCOCCI

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the non-final office action dated August 6, 2002 for the above-identified patent application It is respectfully requested that the amendments and remarks herein be considered at the time of examination of the instant patent application.

In addition, a Petition for an Extension of Time (3 months) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) and the required fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) are filed herewith to extend the time for response until February 6, 2003.

AMENDMENT

Applicants respectfully request a change in the docket number of the instant application. Accordingly, it is requested that Docket No. "1758-4050" be deleted and replaced with - -3842-4050- -

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